

# The Snyder

TWENTY-EIGHTH YEAR

SNYDER, Scurry County, Texas, Friday, September 25, 1914

INDUSTRIAL  
INDEPENDENCE

All of this Colquitt, a large  
meeting was held in  
the cotton  
The meeting was  
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number of  
Albans. The  
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lish it.

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## WILL ORGANIZE BOYS' HOG CLUBS

Mr. Townsend Promotes Interest in  
Hog Raising—Scurry County  
Boys are Interested.

Mr. F. L. Townsend has started out  
to interest the boys of Scurry county  
in hog raising, and in doing so he  
is doing a public service that will  
grow into a widespread benefit to  
the country.

His proposition is to organize hog  
clubs among the boys in each com-  
munity in the county and encourage  
them to feed and care for their hogs  
so as to obtain the best possible re-  
sults.

Boys from 10 to 18 year old are  
eligible to enter the contest, and val-  
uable premiums will be awarded for  
the best showings. Mr. Townsend  
will visit the clubs and instruct the  
boys in feeding and taking care of  
the hogs and will furnish literature as  
the boys can read up on management.

Several clubs have already been  
partially organized and Mr. Town-  
send says the boys are taking intel-  
ligent interest in the matter and he  
expects some splendid results.

At Dunn the following named boys  
have joined the club: Fred A. Doak,  
Edward Head, Ollie Head, Dorward  
Head, O. H. Jordan, J. I. Jordan,  
DeWitt Smith, Lester Hancock, Joe  
Bailey Hancock and Herbert Wilson.  
At Ira: Pat Anderson, Burton Kelly,  
Howard Kelly, Byron Kelly,  
Albany Young, Buster Rhoads, Mil-  
ton Hardec, and Jerome Merrill.  
At Plevanah: Henry Lee, Pratt  
Lee, Caleb Browning, Charlie Brown-  
ing, Joe Browning, Ramsey Staveley,  
Malcom Staveley, Boyd Whitley, Car-  
roll Jones, Russell Jones, Tom Craft,  
John Browning, Jas. Browning.

At Crowder: Elmer Hodges, I. E.  
Biggs, Grady Biggs, Arlie Biggs,  
Pratt Oliver, Brady Oliver, Roy Ol-  
iver, Everitt Crowder, Fred Crowder,  
and Maugie Turner.

At Snyder: John Sturdivant, G. B.  
Clark, Louis Blackard, George Avarz,  
Addison Castevens.

At Bethel: Clyde Dennis, Floyd  
Dennis, Horace Townsend and Ear-  
nest Townsend.

Mr. Townsend wants to meet the  
boys of Snyder in the county court  
room at 9 o'clock a. m. Saturday to go  
fully over the matter with them and  
get the club properly lined up. At  
this meeting he will give his young  
hog raisers a number of general  
points to be observed and also to out-  
line the rules that will govern in the  
contest, so everyone will understand  
how to feed and how to keep re-  
cords of expense and advancement.

It is a fine proposition and aligned  
every boy in Scurry county will be  
interested.

The work is being done under the  
direction of the Agricultural Depart-  
ment of the United States govern-  
ment, and Mr. Townsend is anxious  
that any boy in Scurry county, inter-  
ested in this work will communicate  
with him about it.

FERGUSON TO SELL  
COTTON AT 8 1/2 CENTS

Temple, Texas, Sept. 21.—Govern-  
or-to-be Ferguson will dispose of a  
part of his cotton crop at prevailing  
prices under the belief that it is  
sound business judgment to do so  
and that, considering present con-  
ditions, 8 1/2 cents is an equitable  
price for a part of the crop. By let-  
ting the spinners have some of the  
cotton at that price, he believes, will  
aid in causing the latter to join  
the booster class.

Ferguson is also an advocate of  
cotton reduction next year, and will  
give an example by cutting down cot-  
ton planting 15 per cent on his own  
farm. He stated today that he did  
not look for any appreciable relief  
from the government in the present  
crisis and that people should not be  
deceived into the belief that the gov-  
ernment or any government agency  
is competent as much for the South  
as it can be itself. According to his  
view the farmer, merchant and  
banker must pull together or else all  
the emergency currency, warehouse  
legislation and political agitation will  
prove of small benefit.

## WOMAN SHOTS AT FT. WORTH JUDGE

Dissatisfied With Judgment Woman  
Told Judge She Wanted Him to  
Hear Case.

Ft. Worth Star-Telegram:

Dissatisfied with the judgment  
which Judge James W. Swayne had  
just rendered in a case on trial be-  
fore him, Mrs. Mary Rea drew a re-  
volver from her bosom in the seven-  
teenth District Court room Tuesday  
morning, aimed it at Swayne and  
fired six shots. Durward McDonald,  
her attorney, saved Judge Swayne's  
life by seizing the woman's arm and  
throwing it up just as the first shot  
was fired. That shot went over the  
judge's head.

McDonald then grappled with his  
client and unaided succeeded in forc-  
ing her back down the aisle and out  
of the court room. She was struggling  
all of the time and continued trying  
to use the revolver, but McDonald  
held her arm in the air and the last  
five shots all struck the ceiling of the  
court room.

The sound of the shots attracted a  
large crowd by the time McDonald  
and his charge reached the corridor.  
Deputy Sheriffs Pritch and Hutchason  
took charge of Mrs. Rea and took her  
to the county jail, struggling and  
shouting all the way.

The attorneys in the case had  
agreed upon a judgment in the case,  
by the terms of which young Rea's  
disability was to be removed, but a  
stipulation included that he was not  
to sell or encumber his property dur-  
ing his minority. Judgment was en-  
tered by the court in accordance with  
that agreement.

Mrs. Rea was not in the court room  
when the judgment was rendered, but  
came in a little later and asked that  
Judge Swayne read it over again for  
her benefit. He did so and as he con-  
cluded, she said, according to Swayne  
"Well, that settles you."

At that same moment she reached  
into the bosom of her dress and drew  
out a 38-caliber Colt's revolver. Mc-  
Donald, who was sitting close beside  
her, did not hear what she said to the  
judge, but was attracted by her  
tune, which was threatening in its  
character, and turned just in time to  
seize her arm as she was taking aim  
at Swayne.

HIG COTTON WAREHOUSE  
ANSWERED FOR SNYDER

Mr. Wellborn stated Saturday that  
he lacked only about \$450 of having  
all the stock taken for the ware-  
house and he felt sure of getting that  
pretty soon.

This indicates that the 100,000-  
bushel arrangement is now a certain-  
ty and Snyder will be prepared to  
take care of all the bulwark cotton.

MISSING HIS SIGNAL  
LOST DAY FROM WORK

R. H. Drumm of near Hermleigh  
failed to get the Signal last Friday  
and didn't know court had adjourned.  
He had been summoned to be  
here Saturday and came all the way  
to Snyder before he knew there was  
no court. He says he wants the post-  
master there to get his Signal in  
him promptly on Friday. It would  
have saved him a long ride this time  
and the loss of a day from his work.  
All because the paper was not deliv-  
ered to him from the post office.

EYE PROBED BY  
MESQUITE THORN

Rich Miller of Gail got a mesquite  
thorn stuck in one of his eyes some  
time ago and it is said the sight is  
destroyed. He is now in Fort Worth  
under treatment. His mother went  
there last Saturday to be with him  
till he gets in better shape.

RE-MODELING THEIR  
HOME IN WEST SNYDER

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Coleman are  
making an extensive volume of im-  
provement on their residence in West  
Snyder and when completed it will  
be a splendid, attractive and conven-  
iently arranged home.

## National Prayer Day Sunday, October 4

President Woodrow Wilson, by proclamation, has appointed  
Sunday, October 4, a national day of prayer for peace in Europe and  
called upon all God fearing persons to gather in church on that day  
and petition Almighty God to heal again and restore once more har-  
mony among men and nations. The proclamation follows:

"Whereas, Great nations of the World have taken up arms  
against one another and war now drags millions of men into battle  
whom the counsel of statesmen have not been able to save from the  
terrible sacrifice; and

"Whereas, In this as in all things it is our privilege and duty  
to seek counsel and succor of Almighty God, humbling ourselves be-  
fore him, confessing our weakness and our lack of any wisdom equal  
to these things; and

"Whereas, It is the special wish and longing of the people of  
the United States in prayer and counsel and all friendliness, to serve  
the cause of peace.

"Therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, president of the United States  
of America, do designate Sunday, the fourth day of October next, a  
day of prayer and supplication and do request all God-fearing per-  
sons to repair on that day to their places of worship, there to unite  
their petitions to Almighty God that, overruling counsel of men, set-  
ting straight the things they cannot govern or alter, taking pity on  
the nations now in the throes of conflict, in His mercy and goodness  
showing a way where men can see none, he vouchsafe his children to  
heal again and restore once more that concord among men and na-  
tions without which there can be neither happiness nor true friend-  
ship nor any wholesome fruit of toil or thought in the world, praying  
also to this end that he forgive us our sins, our ignorance of his holy  
will, our willfulness and many errors, and lead us in the paths of  
obedience to places of vision and to thoughts and counsels that purge  
and make wise."

## MISSION SECRE- TARY IN SNYDER

Mrs. Bloodworth Held All Day Meet-  
ing With Snyder Women.

Mrs. J. T. Bloodworth of Fort  
Worth, Conference Secretary of Mis-  
sions for the Methodist Church came  
to Snyder last Sunday to meet the  
Methodist Missionary Auxiliary. She  
lectured at the Methodist church  
Sunday night and held a two session  
Institute Monday. The Missionary  
women gave her a good hearing. She  
told of the great work of evangeli-  
zation being done in the home ter-  
ritory and in foreign fields and how  
the Missionary workers a the coun-  
try can help in carrying the Gospel  
to heathen lands.

The women in Snyder felt the force  
of her pathos and were filled with a  
deeper interest and stronger deter-  
mination to do more work along mis-  
sionary lines than ever before.

Mrs. Bloodworth complimented the  
Snyder women on the effective work  
they have done heretofore. She said  
she had already heard good reports  
from Snyder and it was a pleasure  
to meet and work with the Snyder  
band of consecrated women.

Weather and Crops.

Nearly an inch of rain fell here  
last Friday and several farmers have  
expressed belief that it did vastly  
more good than damage. The rain  
was followed by clear, warm days up  
to Tuesday morning when a brisk  
norther came up and gave promise  
of a spell of dry weather, suitable  
for crop gathering. It is thought the  
bulk of the feed crop has been har-  
vested. Most farmers have secured  
enough to do them two years and  
hundreds of tons have been sold. The  
cotton picking is in full swing. There  
is still a scarcity of hands, but the  
flock of the steady is coming. Farm-  
ers are going stronger than usual  
this fall on wheat and if present plans  
carry there will be a large acreage  
this fall.

WORKING ON NEW  
MASONIC LODGE ROOM

The Masonic Lodge in Snyder is  
starting well into the work on the  
interior of their new lodge room  
over the Faught-Clark building. The  
workmen have been busy for several  
days tearing out the partitions and  
they will soon be ready for construc-  
tive work. It is a large room and  
will be fitted up with every mod-  
ern convenience.

Jim Harson has just finished drill-  
ing a well for the Deane Dairy Co.

## CARING FOR THE NEGLECTED ONES

Representative of Children's Home  
Society Visits Snyder.

Rev. W. A. Nicholas of Abilene  
spent several days here this week in  
the interest of the Children's Home  
Society and has met with sub-  
stantial encouragement. He preached  
Sunday morning at the Methodist  
church and talked to the Sunday  
School. He preached Sunday night at  
the Baptist church. He is working  
with Rev. L. Z. T. Morris of Fort  
Worth for the care of orphan or  
neglected children. Their work is to  
take children who have nobody to  
care for them, and find good homes  
for them. They have taken scores of  
children from bad surroundings and  
found homes where they have had  
educational advantages and could be  
brought up under Christian influ-  
ence.

Many of these children "have been  
given to the Lord, but through the  
efforts of these good men and their  
co-workers, the human plane has  
been nurtured and trained and are  
being given to society as good men  
and women.

There is a lot of work and ought  
to be well supported by the people.

It is hoped that one good Chris-  
tian family have applied to Rev.  
Nicholas for a little girl and others  
here whose names are children will  
probably ask to be supplied through  
this society.

BRUCE HOLLEY HURT  
THURSDAY AT IRA

Tr. Bruce Holley of Ira, is always  
a busy man, looking after his farm,  
looking after his store and running up  
his books and it is known of him  
that he will tackle any sort of a job  
that is put before him. He is a  
true believer in putting a word of  
advice.

He tied the cowboys at last Thurs-  
day night. He roped a cow, and in  
the process he saddle girth broke and  
he was thrown from his seat.

One leg was broken at the knee  
and he was taken to the hospital. A  
physician was called and dressed the  
injury and he is now resting in  
fair comfort.

SCURRY COUNTY FAIR

Thursday was Scurry County Day  
at the Normal. The R. R. & P.  
can a special train for the occasion,  
leaving Snyder at 8 a. m. The crowd  
was not so large as had been expect-  
ed. The people are all too busy to  
take vacation trips.

## GUY CLARK KILLED MONDAY AT GAIL

Deceased Entangled in Machinery of  
Cotton Gin When Testing  
It Out.

Special to The Signal.

Plevanah, Texas, Sept. 22.—The  
sad news of the death of Mr. Guy  
Clark of Gail came as a great shock  
to his many friends here, on last  
Monday. Mr. Clark was getting the  
gin there in readiness for the coming  
season and had started the machin-  
ery to test it out and in some way  
his clothing became entangled with  
the fly shaft and before it could be  
stopped it had whirled him around  
so many times that his feet were  
broken off. Death resulted within a  
few hours after the accident. He  
leaves a brother to mourn his de-  
parture besides a host of friends.

H. R. LOONEY DIED NEAR  
DALLAS LAST SUNDAY

Martha Looney received the sad  
news last Sunday of the death of her  
father, Mr. H. R. Looney, which oc-  
curred at 7 o'clock last Sunday morn-  
ing at the home of his daughter, Mrs.  
J. H. Looney.

Martha stated that a few days  
ago, spending several days with her  
mother, she realized the end was near.  
Mr. Looney resided in Snyder for  
a number of years. He went away  
three or four years ago to reside at  
Dallas. He was an honest, upright  
man, full of a true heart in his fam-  
ily and it gratified him to know that  
his sons and daughters were prepared  
to reflect honor on the family.

The Dallas News recorded the fol-  
lowing notice:  
"H. R. Looney, aged 84 years, died  
Sunday at the residence of his son,  
H. R. Looney, two miles south of  
Oak Cliff. He was born in DeWitt  
County, Texas, and had been a re-  
sident of Dallas for many years. His  
body was shipped to Dallas, Texas,  
at 1:30 p. m. Sunday via the South-  
ern Traction Company. Services were  
held at 3 p. m. at the chapel of  
R. C. Smith & Son's Undertaking  
Company. Mr. Looney is survived by  
his mother, Mrs. J. A. Looney of  
Sanger, Texas; his widow and sev-  
eral children—Mr. R. W. E. Albert, Mr.  
D. C. Rutter, Mrs. F. M. Willis and  
Mrs. Looney, all of Dallas; and H.  
Looney of Snyder, Texas.—Dallas  
News.

The Cowboy Touchdown.

The cowboys are and about 100  
men and the program last evening of  
the fair was a real cowboy roundup  
and a real cowboy show.

There was a big crowd and the  
men have witnessed all sorts of spec-  
tacular stunts given here by the  
best show of the kind ever seen.  
There were several cowboys, but the  
paramount feature was the  
bronco riding.

Some magnificent picking was  
done but the crowd was not there  
to stay.

Walter Brown has a horse about  
16 years old that had never been rid-  
den. This animal has stood off sev-  
eral cowboys "cutters," but his re-  
cord was broken by a cowboy named  
Tom. The cowboy was a big  
strong Jerry full belonging to Mr.  
Thompson was brought into the ring.  
It looked like we were ready for a  
first class horse show, but instead  
of a fight, it was to prove that a  
real bronco buster can "ride any-  
thing that wears hair," and he rode  
him. People who saw this show were  
well pleased.

Prof. Howell Back Home

Texas

A DIPLOMATIC BLUNDER

Ways and Means. English Am-  
bassador. Mexico came near stir-  
ring last week between  
Mexico. He was not  
A Washington removal of the United  
States from Vera Cruz. Heal-  
th has been none of his  
against a year. He is credited with say-  
ing a year of shame to take the troops  
Democratized the decent people of Mex-  
committed protection.

A religious sect in Dallas claims to  
expect the windup of time to come  
this fall. We don't know about it.  
The disturbed condition of the world  
suggests that something awful is  
about to occur. If it is the windup, it  
will be all off with all of us, and  
there will be none to profit at the  
casualty of the other fellow.

and Dallas News, \$1.75.

CITY COUNCIL

The City Council  
night of this week in session.  
Officers present: Mayor J.  
ble, Secretary T. E. Baker, Eli-  
ah O. P. Wolfe, Aldermen  
Pickens, Joe Morris, Fred H.  
Smith, W. W. Smith and J. C.  
well.

The following claims  
and ordered paid:

D. Grantham, city clerk, \$1.75.  
W. H. Baker, city engineer, \$1.75.  
Evans Bros. drapery \$1.75.  
Hargreaves Printing Co. tax re-  
ceipts, \$1.75.  
W. Hedges, work on hose cart,  
\$1.25.  
J. T. Ramsey, grading streets,  
\$1.10.  
National Meter Company, piston  
for meter, \$1.10.  
Bond of Snyder National Bank for  
\$11,000 as depositary for city, ap-  
proved.

The mayor was instructed to ap-  
point a committee to confer with the  
county commissioners relative to  
working this four cardinal roads (lead-  
ing out from the Court House square,  
also the boundary roads around the  
corporate with a view of the road-  
way crossing for their part portion of  
said roads. The Mayor appointed Car-  
roll, Messer and Baker.

Union prevailed to have: water  
given the P. & N. T. Ry. Co. to have  
the street crossings on the railroad  
put in good condition by October 1st,  
and normal roadway will be fixed.

THE LYCEUM NUMBER  
DREW LARGE CROWD

The first number of the Lyceum  
number, which has been looked for  
this season in Snyder, was presented  
in a large crowd Wednesday night  
at the opera house.

The three ladies composing the  
company are artists in their respec-  
tive lines, reading, vocal and violin.

The program was classical with  
just enough comedy to balance the  
program.

Those who attended were pleased  
with the opening number and have  
congratulated the management for  
its success.

NO PEACE IN MEXICO;  
VILLA AGAIN REVOLTS

Nogales, Sonora, Mexico, Sept. 21  
—Nogales were posted here today that  
General Villa had proclaimed a re-  
volution against Carranza.

Governor Maytore of Sonora who  
is supported by Villa, is in command  
here and is reported to be preparing  
to march against Gen. Benj. Hill. Car-  
ranza military commander in the  
state.

H. F. Perry is keeping too  
the Fisher job.